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1. BANCO DO BRAZIL, N.Y. INFORMED US THAT UNDER THE NEW BRAZILIAN BANK REGULATION, NUMBER 354, A 360 DAY, 100 PERCENT CRUZEIRO DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED ON ALL IMPORTED MERCHANDISE WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

PETROLEUM
COAL
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PHARMACEUTICALS
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PLANES AND HELICOPTERS FOR DEFENSE

ALL MACHINERY THAT DOES NOT HAVE A BRAZILIAN-MADE EQUI-VALENT AND HAS AT LEAST 5 YEARS OF EXTERNAL FINANCING PROVIDED.

- 2. BANCO REAL, WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE, INFORMED US THAT THE NEW REGULATION APPLIED TO ALL IMPORTED MERCHANDISE WITH THE EXCEPTIONS NOTED ABOVE AS WELL AS MACHINERY THAT DOES NOT HAVE A BRAZILIAN-MADE EQUIVALENT NO MATTER WHAT THE REPAYMENT TERM IF EXTERNAL FINANCING IS PROVIDED. PLEASE CLARIFY WHICH INTERPRETATION IS CORRECT.
- 3. EXIMBANK IS NOT PREPARED TO PROVIDE TERMS LONGER THAN OUR NORMAL GUIDELINES BASED ON THE PRODUCT, NATURE OF BUYER (DEALER/DISTRIBUTOR) AND THE SIZE OF THE CONTRACT VALUE. GENERALLY, FOR NON-DEALER FINANCING OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, UP TO 3 YEARS IS APPROPRIATE FOR CONTRACT VALUES UP TO DOLS 25,000; 4 YEARS UP TO DOLS 150,000; 5 YEARS FOR OVER DOLS 150,000. DEALER/DISTRIBUTORS ARE LIMITED TO 3 YEARS. PURCHASES OF NON-CAPITAL EQUIPMENT ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM REPAYMENT TERM OF 180 DAYS, EXCEPT FOR AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES AND FERTILIZER WHERE 360 DAY TERMS MAY BE CONSIDERED. INGERSOLL

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